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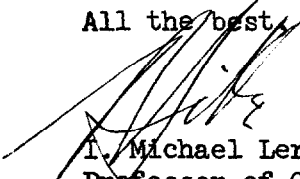
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Dear Josh:

I have been in and out of Berkeley, as well as trying to meet deadlines on two books. Hence, my backlog has become practically unmanageable. To top it all it appears that very shortly I shall have to have two successive operations for removal of cataracts. These will more or less immobilize me probably till mid-November. Hence, I doubt very much if I can contribute significantly either to the deliberations of the Committee or to the October 11 meeting, which, of course, I shall not be able to attend. Perhaps, Arno should appoint someone else in my stead.

The only comment on the draft of the statement of June 30 refers to a slight ambiguity in the wording of the first sentence of the third paragraph from the end. It is not entirely clear if the Committee should "formulate issues requiring study and recommendations" which is what I think it means, or "formulate issues...and recommendations." Perhaps inserting the words "calling for" before "recommendations" will do the trick. Otherwise, I have no quarrel with the proposal.

All the best,

  
I. Michael Lerner  
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cc: Dr. Arno Motulsky